Statement

Amount released under Swajaldhara Scheme

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	State/Union Territory	1st instalment released to States/ UTs for proposals cleared during 2002-03	1st instalment of State's/UT's allocation released during 2003-04	Total releases for States/UTs under Swajaldhara
1.	Andhra Pradesh	4003.10858	808.000	4811.109
2.	Assam	370.1227	377.300	747.423
3.	Chhattisgarh	131.4989	0.00	131.499
4.	D & N. Haveli	4.7419	4.000	8.742
5.	Gujarat	83.987	382.778	466.765
6.	Haryana	10.975	117.096	128.071
7.	Himachal Pradesh	335.78368	0.00	335.784
8.	Karnataka	109.072	698.520	807.592
9.	Kerala	272.8376	252.020	524.858
10.	Madhya Pradesh	264.48788	420.268	684.756
11.	Maharashtra	3722.08995	0.00	3722.090
12.	Nagaland	0.00	65.110	65.110
13.	Orissa	335.8377	366.640	702.478
14.	Rajasthan	187.259	1095.500	1282.759
15.	Tamil Nadu	702.0426	336.600	1038.643
16.	Tripura	0.00	78.465	78.465
17.	Uttar Pradesh	565.9767	766.450	1332.427
18.	Uttaranchal	0.00	182.000	182.000
19.	West Bengal	23.8843	350.000	373.884
	TOTAL	11123.70549	6300.747	17424.452

Mining leases in wildlife areas

*131. SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state :

(a) the details of mining leases currently being operated in wildlife areas across the India;

(b) the details of such leases in the State of Goa; and

(c) the details of progress made by the C mmittee set up under the Chairmanship of P.V. Jaikrishnan by the Supreme Court to examine wildlife and forest matters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) and (b) As per information given by the Indian Bureau of Mines, a subordinate office of Ministry of Mines no mining lease falling in the wildlife area is currently in operation. Further, the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) has informed that no mining lease has been approved by MoEF in the Sanctuaries and National Parks after the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in its order dated 13.11.2000 in W.P. No. 337/95 and order dated 14.2.2000 in W.P. No. 202/95, directed that no dereservation of Sanctuaries and National Parks be effected and removal of trees, grasses etc. should not be done from the Sanctuaries and National Parks.

(c) The Hon'ble Supreme Court *vide* its order dated 9.5.2002 in Writ Petition (Civil) Nos. 202/95 and 171/96 directed that Central Empowered Committee (CEC) shall be constituted. Accordingly, the CEC was constituted on 3.6.2002, with Sri P.V. Jayakrishnan as Chairman. The Committee submits quarterly reports to the Supreme Court and the Supreme Court monitors the progress of work assigned to the CEC directly.

Statehood to Pondicherry

*132. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Pondicherry Legislative Assembly passed unanimous resolutions on several occasions for grant of Statehood for Pondicherry;

(b) whether Government propose to give Statehood to Pondicherry in the light of the decision of Government to grant Statehood to Delhi; and

(c) if so, by when decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SWAMI CHINMAYANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.